## Kellogg Creek Restoration and Community Enhancement Project Restoring Habitat, Creating Fish Passage, Strengthening Community, and Updating Infrastructure

Update #7

**MARCH 2023** 

#### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

The City of Milwaukie (City), North Clackamas Watersheds Council (NCWC), Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), and American Rivers (AR) with project partners, have initiated a <u>multi-benefit project</u>. The project will create fish passage into the Kellogg-Mt. Scott watershed, restore lower Kellogg Creek and its floodplain through the City of Milwaukie, improve long-term community resiliency and access to nature, while modernizing vulnerable multi-modal transportation infrastructure. Private, local, state, and federal funding has been secured to initiate the project and conduct the necessary site assessment, alternatives analysis, and conceptual design. The project is in Phase 1.

#### **MARCH SUMMARY**

#### Funding –

- American Rivers was issued award documents for the NOAA Restoration Center grant to complete all remaining pre-construction project activities after Phase 1. The grant begins on April 1.
- NCWC submitted a funding request to the ODFW Conservation & Recreation Fund for thermal imaging to identify springs/cold water sources/stormwater heat inputs in the Kellogg Lake impoundment.

#### Outreach –

- A meeting with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Oregon Unite was held on March
   13 to discuss Tribal resource capacity needs.
- Site visits were held with Unite Oregon and Confluence Environmental Center to further inform the community engagement plan.

#### Design –

- NCWC approved a contract modification for IFI to complete a sediment sampling and analysis plan, and for coordination in developing a geotechnical evaluation plan.
- IFI completed a Wetland Delineation Report.
- NCWC is coordinating with the County to acquire sewer line information.

### Permitting –

- Union Pacific issued a Right-of-Way (ROW) agreement approving geotechnical sampling within the railroad trestle bridge ROW crossing the impoundment. The agreement is in review.
- A DSL General Authorization and Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit application are being prepared to cover sediment sampling activities in the impoundment.

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#### **APRIL NEXT STEPS**

- The Leadership Team will attend an in-person workshop on April 20 in Milwaukie to discuss project delivery, administrative, and managerial roles and responsibilities for project activities after Phase 1 is complete.
- A Sediment sampling and analysis plan (SAP) will be developed and submitted to the Leadership Team on April 15 for review. The SAP will be finalized by the end of the month.
- Site tours are scheduled with USFWS and NOAA Fisheries staff related to the PROJECTS programmatic.
- NCWC will present on the project at the Urban Ecology Research Consortium at Portland State University and seek further research partnerships related to monitoring.
- The third round of eDNA sampling will be completed.